## **CLAIMS**

- 1. A method of treating the weight of a patient which comprises administering an effective amount of quetiapine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof to said patient.
- A method according to claim 1 wherein the patient is suffering from psychoses. 2.
- 3. A method according to claim 1 or 2 wherein the patient is exhibiting diabetes or is at risk from developing diabetes.
- 4. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 3 wherein the patient treated with another antipsychotic agent.
- 5. A method according to claim 4 wherein the antipsychotic agent is clozapine or olanzapine.
- 6. A method according to claim 5 wherein the antipsychotic agent is clozapine.
- 7. A method according to any one of claims 4 - 6 wherein the dosage of the other antipsychotic agent is decreased during treatment with an effective amount of quetiapine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 8. A method according to claim 7 wherein the dosage of the other antipsychotic agent is decreased to zero.
- 9. A method of inducing weight loss in a patient suffering from psychoses who has previously been treated with an antipsychotic agent which comprises administering an effective amount of quetiapine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof to said patient.
- 10. A method according to claim 9 wherein the antipsychotic agent was clozapine or olanzapine.
- 11. Quetiapine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof for use in treating the weight of a patient.
- 25 12. The use of quetiapine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof in the manufacture of a medicament for treating the weight of a patient.

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